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In re the Application of:

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SUPPLYING
AUXILIARY POWER TO A LARGE DIESEL
ENGINE

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AMENDMENT 1

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Honorable Commissioner:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action, mailed 10/25/2001. Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please Amend Claim 1, ~~cancel~~ Claims 18-20, and add new claims 21-23.

1. (Amended) An auxiliary power system for operation in cooperation with a primary engine having a battery, comprising

(A) a secondary engine, and

(B) control means [which] having a timer, wherein:

(i) such control means shuts down such primary engine [and starts such secondary engine] following a predetermined time period of idling of such primary engine; and

(ii) such control means enables automatic operation of such secondary engine.